PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
•		:	Examiner: L. Ye
YOSHINOBU SHIRAIWA, ET AL.			
		:	Group Art Unit: 2615
Application No.: 09/697,315)	
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Filed:	October 27, 2000)	
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For:	IMAGE PROCESSING)	May 27, 2005
	APPARATUS AND METHOD	:	
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Remarks

In response to the March 23, 2005 final Official Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are a Preliminary Amendment and a Second Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified application.

X No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15	MINUS	20	0	x \$9 \$18	0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	8	MINUS	8	0	x \$44 \$88	0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$150/\$300						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT—					0.00	

	Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06 1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
X	Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C., office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address below.
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